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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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U. S. Navy Dept.  
NUMBER, ETC., OF PERSONS EMPLOYED IN THE NAVAL  
AND MARINE SERVICE IN THE MEXICAN WAR.

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LETTER

FROM THE

SECRETARY OF THE NAVY,

IN ANSWER TO

*A resolution of the House of the 20th December, 1848, relative to the number and places of birth of persons employed in the naval and marine service on the Gulf and Pacific coasts during the Mexican war.*

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JANUARY 6, 1849.

Laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed.

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NAVY DEPARTMENT,  
January 5, 1849.

SIR: I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of a resolution of the House of Representatives, of the 20th December, 1848, requesting the Secretary of the Navy to communicate to that body "the number and places of birth of all persons employed in the naval and marine service on the Gulf and Pacific coasts during the late war with Mexico."

No register of recruits having been kept at the department previous to June, 1846, full information, as required by the resolution, cannot, as it respects seamen, be communicated in a satisfactory form.

The crews of most of the vessels (those, too, of the largest class, were enlisted previous to the declaration of war, and the depart-

ment has no means of ascertaining the birth places of the persons composing them.

The answer of this department to the resolution of the House of Representatives, of May 29th, 1848, shows the number and places of birth of seamen enlisted during the war, and there is no reason to suppose that the same ratio would not apply to those engaged therein who entered previously.

Much the largest part of the vessels in commission at the date of the declaration of war have been either in the Gulf or in the Pacific, for longer or shorter periods.

The whole number of seamen composing the crews of the vessels in the Gulf of Mexico and on the Pacific coast, during the war, was seven thousand.

The terms of enlistments in the marine corps enable the department to communicate full information in regard to the marines employed on the Pacific and Gulf coasts during the war with Mexico.

The annexed statements, marked A and B, exhibit the information called for by the resolution, so far as it is in the power of the department to furnish it.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

J. Y. MASON.

HON. ROBERT C. WINTHROP,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives.*

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## A.

## STATEMENT

*Exhibiting the number and places of birth of officers of the navy, employed on the Gulf and Pacific coasts during the late war with Mexico.*

States, &c.	Number.
Maine .....	34
New Hampshire .....	21
Vermont .....	11
Massachusetts .....	51
Rhode Island .....	14
Connecticut .....	30
New York .....	118
New Jersey .....	29
Pennsylvania .....	112
Delaware .....	12
Maryland .....	71
Virginia .....	140
North Carolina .....	24
South Carolina .....	24
Georgia .....	16
Alabama .....	3
Mississippi .....	1
Louisiana .....	8
Tennessee .....	12
Kentucky .....	15
Ohio .....	22
Indiana .....	6
Illinois .....	3
Missouri .....	5
Michigan .....	3
Florida .....	2
Iowa .....	1
District of Columbia .....	39
England .....	7
France .....	1
Ireland .....	7
Greece .....	1
Spain .....	1
West Indies .....	3
Scotland .....	3
South America .....	2
Sweden .....	1
Unknown .....	3
Total .....	856

## B.

## STATEMENT

*Showing the number and places of birth of marines attached to the Gulf squadron, during the late war with Mexico.*

Places of birth.	Number.
Maine .....	22
Massachusetts : .....	42
New Hampshire .....	12
Vermont .....	8
Connecticut .....	17
Rhode Island .....	7
New York .....	163
New Jersey .....	39
Delaware .....	6
Maryland .....	47
Virginia .....	29
District of Columbia .....	21
Pennsylvania .....	155
North Carolina .....	2
South Carolina .....	2
Georgia .....	1
Ohio .....	10
Kentucky .....	1
Mississippi .....	1
Missouri .....	1
Michigan .....	1
Indiana .....	1
Ireland .....	261
Germany .....	110
Scotland .....	25
England .....	25
France .....	5
Sweden .....	2
Canada .....	9
Prussia .....	2
Switzerland .....	3
Poland .....	1
Denmark .....	2
New Brunswick .....	1
Holland .....	1
East Indies .....	1
Belgium .....	2
Italy .....	1
South America .....	1
Total .....	1050



## STATEMENT

*Showing the number and places of birth of marines attached to the Pacific squadron during the late war with Mexico.*

Places of birth.	Number.
Maine .....	16
Massachusetts .....	26
New Hampshire .....	12
Vermont .....	6
Connecticut .....	9
Rhode Island .....	7
New York .....	117
New Jersey .....	19
Delaware .....	2
Maryland .....	23
Virginia .....	13
District of Columbia .....	13
Pennsylvania .....	77
South Carolina .....	3
Island of Minorca .....	1
Ohio .....	6
Tennessee .....	1
Kentucky .....	1
Mississippi .....	1
Michigan .....	2
Louisiana .....	2
Ireland .....	21
Germany .....	7
Scotland .....	4
England .....	10
Sweden .....	1
Prussia .....	1
Nova Scotia .....	1
Total .....	402

P. G. HOWLE,  
*Adjutant and Inspector.*

HEAD QUARTERS MARINE CORPS,  
*Adj. and Insp. Office, Washington, Dec. 30, 1848.*

NOTE.—In addition to the above there were 18 sergeants, 9 corporals, 2 drummers, 3 fifers, and 235 privates on duty with the army in Mexico, under the command of Lieutenant Col. Watson.











